

March 13, 2025

Ann Batten
Ridgewood District Improvement Co.
7970 NW Ridgewood Drive
Corvallis, OR 97330

RE: Violation of the maximum contaminant level for *E. coli* bacteria at the Ridgewood District Improvement Company public water system, ID# 00229

Dear Ann Batten,

Recent samples reported for your water system indicate coliform bacteria in the drinking water caused a violation of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for *E. coli* bacteria. The presence of these bacteria indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems. OAR 333-061-0097

Please continue consultation with Scott Kruger at the Benton County Health Department so that you can disinfect the water system and abate the contamination as quickly as possible.

- 1) You must cooperate with the Benton County Health Department during an inspection of the water system and investigation to determine the source of the bacteria in the drinking water system, and to identify the most effective corrective action. You will be contacted in the near future, if you have not already been contacted, to schedule the inspection and investigation. When it is complete, you must correct any sanitary defects identified during the investigation process and collect water samples to demonstrate bacteria are no longer present in the drinking water.

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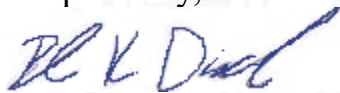
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You can contact DWS circuit rider for technical assistance at mgochnour@civilwest.net or 541-266-8601. Visit the webpage: <https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HEALTHYENVIRONMENTS/DRINKINGWATER/OPERATIONS/Pages/circuitrider.aspx> for more information about the DWS circuit rider program.

The actions described in this letter are required by Oregon Administrative Rules 333-061-0025, 333-061-0030 and 333-061-0042. Please contact me at bradley.k.daniels@oha.oregon.gov or (503) 735-5438 if you have any questions or to discuss the actions required in this letter.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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Compliance Specialist
Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services

cc: Roger Kolodziej, Ridgewood District Improvement Company
Scott Kruger, Benton County Health Department
Shawn Stevenson, Oregon Health Authority, Drinking Water Services